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TAKES STEPS TO ORGANIZE
LABOR UNIONS THROUGHOUT CHINA

ACFL ISSUES DIRECTIVE -- Wen-hui Pao, 27 Dec 49

Pei-p'ing, 25 December (NCNA) -- The All China Federation of Labor today sent directives throughout China on the organization of the following labor unions by May 1950:

Railroad workers' union, postal and telegraph workers' union, seamen's union, textile workers' union, fuel industry workers' union which will include coal miners and electrical workers, metallurgical workers' union which will include ordnance workers, and transport workers' union.

The directive provides that unions will be organized to elevate the cultural, technical, and living standards of the workers. The organizing procedure is outlined in the directive as follows:

"First, call a local workers' delegates conference and establish a preparatory committee for the general labor union. Next, call another workers' conference to establish the general labor union."

ACFL ADOPTS PROGRAM, ELECTS OFFICIALS -- Ta Kung Pao, 7 Nov 49

Pei-p'ing, 5 November (NCNA) -- The Standing Committee of the All-China Federation of Labor met on 5 November, in Pei-p'ing, and decided to make preparations to organize ten or more general labor unions all over China by May 1950 and publicize the National Seamen's Delegates Conference to be held in December 1949.

The following officials were appointed at the meeting: Hou Yu-t'ien (Ueda: 313, 7261, 7478), Deputy Chief of Labor Protection Department, ACFL; and Feng Su-hai (13582, 2355, 6182), Deputy Chief of Culture and Education Department, ACFL.

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Shang-hai, 15 November (NCNA) -- The Labor Heroes Assembly, sponsored by the Shang-hai Railroad Administrative Bureau, was held 5 to 13 November 1949. At this meeting Liu Ch'ang-sheng (Ueda: 840, 12698, 893), chairman of the Preparatory Committee, Shang-hai General Labor Union, stated that his union will endeavor to organize all of the 35,000 railroad workers in the Shang-hai Railroad District, and that the union is studying Soviet and Northeast China techniques in production, construction, and labor efficiency.

TRANSPORT WORKERS' CONFERENCE IN JANUARY -- Wen-hui Pao, 20 Dec 49

Pei-p'ing, 18 December (NCNA) -- On 15 December, the All-China Federation of Labor (ACFL) announced that 70 delegates will attend the All-China Transport Workers' Delegates Conference in Pei-p'ing on 25 January 1950.

The conference will formulate a labor program, adopt a draft constitution for the All-China Transport Workers Union, and establish a central office.

By 10 January the delegates must be selected from each area and the names of delegates must be reported to the ACFL by 23 January. There will be 13 delegates from Northeast China, 13 from North China, 18 from East China, 16 from Central and South China, and 5 each from Northwest and Southwest China.

Also by 10 January, each area must submit the following reports: (1) number of transport workers before and after liberation and names of officials, (2) present labor-management relations, (3) living conditions of workers before and after liberation, and (4) organization of transport workers.

HUPEH PROVINCE WORKERS HELP TRANSPORT PLA -- Ta Kung Pao, 11 Nov 49

Han-k'ou, 10 November (NCNA) -- The following report on the labor activities in Hupeh Province was given at a meeting of the Hupeh Province Labor Conference on 10 November 1949:

"Not including Han-k'ou, there are about one million workers in Hupeh Province, half of whom are transport workers. From April on, stevedores, dredge workers, water-transport workers, highway workers, and railroad workers on the Han-k'ou -- I-ch'ang Highway, Kuang-chou -- Han-k'ou Railroad, Pei-p'ing -- Han-k'ou Railroad, Hsiang Ho, and Ch'ang Chiang (Yangtze River), organized their own labor unions. They also helped the Hupeh People's government in transporting one million People's Liberation Army troops into South China."

CHENG-CHOU ESTABLISHES LABOR UNIONS -- Wen-hui Pao, 17 Nov 49

Cheng-chou, 15 November (NCNA) -- In early November, the Preparatory Committee of the Cheng-chou General Labor Union called the first Cheng-chou Workers' Delegates Conference and announced the official establishment of the Cheng-chou General Labor Union, appointment of 31 Executive Committee members, and adoption of a draft constitution.

At the same conference, Liu Tao-an (Ueda: 840, 12051, 2309), Chief of the Organization Department, Central Cheng-chou Municipal Committee, stated that the future program calls for the democratic administration of public-owned factories, the establishment of collective bargaining between labor and management and mass participation in labor union meetings. He reported that there are about 12,600 labor-union members in Cheng-chou.

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HUNAN ESTABLISHES LABOR PREPARATORY COMMITTEE -- Wen-hui Pao, 11 Dec 49

Ch'ang-sha, 10 December (NCNA) -- From 1 to 5 December, 234 delegates attended the Hunan Province Workers' Delegates Conference held in this city. The establishment of the Preparatory Committee, Hunan Province General Labor Union, was officially announced after the election of 41 members to the committee. Sung Hsin-huai (Ueda: 2312, 4376, 3585), chairman of the committee, gave a report on the past activities of provincial workers and described future plans.

SHANG-HAI TO ESTABLISH GENERAL LABOR UNION -- Wen-hui Pao, 8 Dec 49

Shang-hai -- On 22 November 1949, the Preparatory Committee of the Shanghai General Labor Union held an organizing conference and decided to call the Shang-hai Workers' Delegates Conference in January 1950. At the conference the official establishment of the Shang-hai General Labor Union will be announced.

Since the establishment of the Preparatory Committee, about 700,000 of a total of 1,200,000 Shang-hai workers have been organized into labor unions, and more than 900 labor unions or preparatory committees were established in factories and offices.

HOLDS KUANG-CHOU WORKERS' CONFERENCE -- Wen-hui Pao, 17 Dec 49

Kuang-chou -- More than 600 delegates and guests attended the First Kuang-chou Workers' Delegates Conference which convened on 16 December in this city.

The conference adopted the draft constitution for the Kuang-chou General Labor Union, heard reports on past labor activities and future program, decided to organize Workers' Vigilance Corps against subversive elements, and planned to establish workers' cooperatives.

Some of the prominent figures who participated in the conference included: Liao Ssu-kuang (Ueda: 2982, 235, 567) and Chu Ching-wen (4717, 4286, 4321) representing the Kuang-chou General Labor Union; Chu Kuang (4717, 567), Deputy Mayor of Kuang-chou; Fang Fang (4385, 4385); Ku Ta-ts'un (1142, 1946, 2268), and Li Chang-ta (4735, 8366, 12052) Deputy Chairman of Kwangtung Provincial People's government; and Lin P'ing (4803, 2899) representing Kuang-chou Military Control District.

CH'UNG-CH'ING ESTABLISHES PREPARATORY COMMITTEE -- Wen-hui Pao, 16 Dec 49

Ch'ung-ch'ing, 14 December (NCNA) -- On 9 December, 346 workers' representatives attended a meeting called by the Ch'ung ch'ing Military Control Commission and the Ch'ung-ch'ing Party Committee to appoint 20 members of the Preparatory Committee for the Ch'ung-ch'ing General Labor Union and to announce its official establishment.

Speeches were made by Liu Po-ch'eng, Commander, Second Field Army; Ch'en Hsi-lien (Ueda: 12864, 12526, 9325), Mayor of Ch'ung-ch'ing; and Hsieh Fu-chih (11121, 2366, 6055), Secretary of the Ch'ung-ch'ing Party Committee.

The members of the Preparatory Committee of the Ch'ung-ch'ing General Labor Union include: Chang Chi-ch'un (3065, 12913, 4503) Chairman, Ch'ung-ch'ing Military Control Committee; Hsieh Fu-chih; Chang Lin-chih (3065, 13048, 88), Deputy Secretary, Ch'ung ch'ing Party Committee; Ch'en Hsi-lien; Ts'ao Ti-ch'iu (4658, 9861, 8187), Deputy Mayor, Ch'ung-ch'ing; Li Chen (4735, 13036); Shao Tzu-yen (12147, 2262, 10890); Wan Li (9954, 12372); and Ma Li (13680, 856).

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SHOP WORKERS MEET -- Wen-hui Pac, 14 Dec 49

Pei-p'ing, 13 December (NCNA) -- On 12 December, 33 delegates from 15 cities attended the All-China Shop Workers' Cadres Conference in Pei-p'ing called by the All China Federation of Labor (ACFL). The conference was presided over by Ch'ang Chin-lin (Ueda: 3065, 4558, 4803), Chairman, Shop Workers Committee, ACFL.

The following business was discussed: general reports on collective bargaining; systematic organization of the shop workers' union headquarters and subsidiary offices; establishment of the Preparatory Committee to organize the All-China Federation of Shop Workers; establishment of the Preparatory Committee for the All-China Shop Workers' Delegates Conference next year; and organization of all shop workers into labor unions during the coming year.

Among those giving reports were: Chang Ch'un-chiu (3065, 4503, 85), Deputy Chairman of the Shop Workers' Committee, ACFL; Wang Liu wen (7262, 4873, 4321), Chairman, T'ien-ching Shop Workers' Union; and Liu Hsieh, (840, 6992), Deputy Chairman Chang-chia-k'ou Shop Workers' Union.

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